# Colorado for Family Values

Dear Supporter,

At this pivotal time in the history of Amendment 2 and Colorado for Family Values, I want to share with you our thoughts on the future.

As you know, within the next month the United States Supreme Court will hear oral arguments in the appeal of Amendment 2. Some time after that, they will render a decision.

After such a long and frustrating wait, Amendment 2 may not only emerge as a viable curb on homosexual "special rights" in Colorado, but as a legal deterrent against such abuses nationwide.

With the U.S. Supreme Court decision will come a
whole new chapter in the history of Colorado for Family Values.

Just as we cannot predict whether the Court will reverse or uphold Amendment 2, we cannot predict the results of that verdict. And we cannot predict its aftermath.

But we know this — whatever the verdict, the battle will not be over.

Neither a positive nor negative verdict will end
the militant efforts to force affirmation of homosexuality,
nor our efforts to stop it.

A positive verdict from the High Court could well trigger a repeal campaign by homosexual activists in Colorado's next election — an initiative which we will, naturally, vigorously oppose.

Should the Court reverse Amendment 2 — a less-likely scenario in the minds of many observers — we will make every possible effort to present Colorado voters with another initiative tailored to constitutional guidelines offered by the Justices.

Regardless of the outcome, the battle will take place on a completely different level.

Among other factors, the battle will, in the future, take place in the local communities more than ever before. It will be won or lost at the local level — often in those communities where local citizens are unaware or unorganized to meet the threat.

Amendment 2 is a very specific measure. It prevents Colorado governments from enacting minority status based on homosexual behavior. But even if affirmed by the U.S. Supreme Court, Amendment 2 will not prevent . . .

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- the promotion of so-called "gender identity," including transsexualism and tranvestitism, as a new legal basis for minority status.

These sorts of measures, already enacted by the cities of Seattle, Minneapolis, Madison and San Francisco, make it illegal not to hire a male applicant who, for instance, shows up "in drag" — dressed as a woman.

- the teaching of homosexuality as a "normal" and "healthy" "alternative lifestyle" in Colorado's public schools and sex education classes — a trend which, as we've documented in the *CFV Report*, continues to spread.

- the redefinition of "family" and "marriage" to include polygamy, transvestitism, pedophilia and adoptions by homosexual couples.

- the placement of blatantly pro-homosexual, shockingly graphic books and materials in both school and public libraries — with no literature from opposing viewpoints to even begin countering their biased claims.

- efforts to harass, censor and even stop the thousands of counselors and psychologists offering hope to people in the homosexual "lifestyle" who desperately wish to leave it.

- pro-homosexual intimidation tactics in the workplace — both government and private — which, masquerading under such titles as "sensitivity training," "valuing differences," and "domestic partner appreciation," often force employees to violate their private, conscientious beliefs about homosexuality, often harass those with "politically incorrect" views, and threaten firing to those who do not comply.

. . . and much, much more.

Now, you may read this ominous list of pro-homosexual developments and think,

"How can I, or Colorado for Family Values, help defeat all of these? Amendment 2 was hard enough. . . "

Indeed, it is a tall order. But there is a way we can make a difference. A real and powerful difference — right away.

It's called the Community Standards Resolution.

It's a chance to take an active role in charting the moral direction of your community. Think of it this way — communities take citizen input on other municipal decisions like roads, parks and public utilities . . . so why not moral issues?

The Community Standards Resolution is not law. It is not binding. It is not subject to court challenges or the whims of statewide politics.

But in some ways, it's stronger than law. That's because it reflects the source of law, its ultimate power — public opinion.

The Community Standards Resolution is simply this: a unified, stated expression of a community's standards on issues like "gay rights." A specific statement signed by a large number of citizens who want those in office to know their feelings on vital, moral issues.

As you know, many public officials manage to duck the feelings of their constituents because those constituents' values are so often vaguely articulated, unfocused and unasserted.

This is how citizens are so often handed laws in blatant conflict with prevailing local standards. Yet, as the U.S. Supreme Court has so often ruled in cases involving pornography, community standards are a valid basis for making local laws. Community standards matter.

Because of this, Colorado for Family Values is working closely with a number of Colorado towns — including yours — to begin circulating Community Standard Resolutions. The documents are to be signed by as many citizens as possible and presented to public officials by CFV Area Leaders.

Will you help?

This truly does represent a way to start preventing the wide-ranging battles which loom in our future.

A strongly worded Community Standards Resolution can become a powerful deterrent next time militant homosexuals present themselves to your local officials to advance their agenda.

The Resolution will tell your elected leaders exactly where hundreds or thousands of local citizens — concerned and politically organized local citizens — stand on the vital issues. It will serve as a line of first defense against the back-pedaling and double-speak that so often occur when fringe groups begin applying their militant pressure tactics to uncommitted leaders.

I've included a copy of the Community Standards Resolution which Colorado for Family Values has forwarded to communities across the State.

Then, I have several things to ask of you.

First, would you mail your copy back to us with your signature and those of nine others? Your support will serve as an anchor for future circulation of the Resolution in your community.

And remember — because this is not a legal document, no age restrictions apply. Those of non-voting age can make their feelings known. We've even included space to indicate your age, ethnicity and gender, if you so choose.

Secondly, will you call CFV's headquarters at (719) 577-4916 and find out how you can help circulate the Community Standards Resolution in your neighborhood? We will put you in touch with an Area Leader who needs your help.

This is your chance to take a stand right where you live.
Not at the State Capitol, not in Washington, but in your community —
where you live, work, and send children to school.

Third, will you enclose a generous gift today to help further this and other efforts of Colorado for Family Values?

As always, your donation of $20, $30 or $50 today will allow
Colorado for Family Values to continue, efficiently and effectively,
resisting the agenda of the militant homosexual movement.

Predictably, homosexual activists and their friends in the liberal media will attack the Community Standards Resolution as some sort of ominous attempt to "oppress" poor, politically powerless homosexuals — even to restrict their freedom of speech.

As usual, the reverse is true. It is precisely those trying to stop these Resolutions who attack free speech.

Please remember the facts: these are non-binding expressions of community sentiment. They are not legal documents, but rather a reflection of the values and standards held by you — a free citizen of a democratic society.

Will you join us in this effort? In the aftermath of a U.S. Supreme Court verdict, the state of this battle in Colorado may well depend upon what we do now — at the community level.

Please let us hear from you today.

Sincerely,

Will Perkins

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Executive Board Chairman

P.S. In the face of continued campaigns by homosexual militants, the Community Standards Resolution is your first line of defense to protect the moral future of your community. Please return your copy with your signature and nine others. If you would like to carry more Resolutions in your community, please so indicate on the enclosed response device. Before speaking with elected officials or collecting signatures, however, please read the attached letter about what the Resolution is and is not. Then, please consider a donation to further this important work. Thank you.